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12. (Amended) A composition comprising an antisense compound 8 to 30 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding human liver glycogen phosphorylase, wherein said antisense compound specifically hybridizes with and inhibits the expression of human liver glycogen phosphorylase and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

16. (Amended) A method of treating a human having a disease or condition associated with liver glycogen phosphorylase comprising administering to said animal a therapeutically or prophylactically effective amount of the composition of claim 12 so that expression of liver glycogen phosphorylase is inhibited.

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is being filed in response to a telephone interview with Examiner Schultz on September 12, 2002. Claims 1-2, 4-11 and 15 have been canceled. Claims 12 and 16 have been amended. The amendments to the claims are based on teachings throughout the specification as filed. No new matter has been added by these amendments.